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SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" While emphasising my point with reference to permanent officials only and not to temporary or unqualified persons, they, the permanent officials, are entitled to be absorbed or to be employed in some post or other after merger and they cannot be summarily dismissed for want of vacancies or any such thing. If such of these people are dismissed for no fault of theirs, is it not right and proper to give them full pension."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, there is no use of arguing at the time of putting a question. I have already said that we are governed by certain Government Orders in respect of the absorption of these personnel. In pursuance of those G.Os., whoever was eligible for appointment has been given appointment and whoever did not come under the G.O. was not eligible and he has been given proportionate pension. There is no use of arguing about it now."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" On a point of order, Sir. I was only asking for information to which I am entitled. There was no question of argument. I do not know why the Hon. Minister should get angry and flare up at my supplementary question." 8-50 a.m.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I did not get flared up. If the hon. Member thinks so, he is mistaken. I told him that I can only give facts here. If he wanted that the policy itself should be changed, I said, this was not the time."

Permanent and temporary cinema theatres in the State

* 2200 *Q.*—SRI K. PARTHASARATHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of permanent and temporary cinema theatres in the State on the 1st February 1955;

(*b*) the restrictions imposed in respect of sites for constructing temporary cinema sheds; and

(*c*) whether the Government propose to remove any of the restrictions?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) There were 313 permanent cinemas and 195 temporary cinemas on the 1st February 1955 in this State.

" (*b*) A statement [a] giving the particulars is placed on the table of the House.

" (*c*) The Government do not propose to remove any of the restrictions."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" ஸார், சமீபத்தில் சினமோட்டோகிராப் சட்டப் பிரகாரம் விதிகள் தயாரிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா அல்லது தயாரிக்கப் படாமலிருந்தால் எப்பொழுது தயாரிக்கப்படும் என்பதைக் கேட்க விரும்புகிறேன்."

a Printed as Appendix I on pages 568–569 infra.

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It is under preparation. Then, Sir, I have given the assurance that before finalizing the rules, an opportunity will be given to those interested in the matter to make their representations."

Protected water-supply to Baliapatam in Chirakkal taluk

* 2201 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to arrange for protected water-supply to Baliapatam in Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Collector of Malabar has reported that there is a proposal for introducing protected water-supply scheme in the Baliapatam Panchayat area."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether the proposal of the Collector would materialise soon and whether the Government would take steps to see that protected water-supply is made available to the people because the incidence of cholera is high there? The Hon. Minister himself knows that. Therefore may I know what Government are going to do in the matter and whether Government would give instructions to the Collector to take steps to have protected water-supply to that town? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir. The scheme is proposed to be taken up under the Local Development works programme. It is proposed to dig a tank at a cost of Rs. 17,000. The proposal for getting the land for this purpose is under the consideration of the Collector."

Construction of a bund for the Sarapalliparai lake of Singalamcombai

* 2202 *Q.*—SRI M. P. PERIASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any petition and telegrams from the villagers of Erumaipatti in the Salem district to construct a bund for the Sarapalliparai lake of Singalamcombai ;

(*b*) if so, whether the Government have deputed any officer to inspect and submit a report and estimates;

(*c*) if so, why the work has not been executed till now?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The answer is in the affirmative.

" (*c*) Though the Minor Irrigation staff prepared an estimate for the work in question at a cost of Rs. 875 and the Collector submitted it to the Board in November 1954, the question whether to recover the cost of the work from the landholder or to get it done as a kudimaramath liability was under consideration by the Board, in consultation with the Collector, especially as the tank-bed was being claimed as a private property by an individual of the locality. It was, however, ultimately decided in April 1955, to take up the work of